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HENDRICKS IS NO MORE.

The Vice-President Dies Suddenly at His Indianapolis Home.

He Was Alone in His Chamber When the Grim Messenger Summoned Him.

How the News Was Received Throughout the Country—The President's Action.

The Details of a Distinguished Career—Important Political Questions Raised.

Death fell with appalling suddenness upon Thomas A. Hendricks, the Vice-President of the United States, in which peculiarities have occurred with greater frequency than in the office which the place supplements, is again unattended. The facts in connection with the deceased statesman are few, for he passed away alone in his bedroom, where his devoted wife spent most of the day with him. He had attended a reception party at Indianapolis the evening before, at which he wore a light dress suit, having discarded his heavy clothing for the day.

At a Cabinet meeting it was decided that the President and the members of the Cabinet should attend the funeral of the Vice-President. When the Cabinet adjourned, the President issued the following proclamation:

"Thomas A. Hendricks, Vice President of the United States, died at 5 o'clock p. m., at Indianapolis, Ind., and the country is bereaved of one of its noblest and most distinguished citizens. His death is a national calamity, and the people are called upon to observe a day of mourning in honor of his memory. The President has ordered that the national flag be flown at half-mast, and that the executive departments and the several executive departments in the city of Washington observe a day of mourning. The President has also ordered that the Vice-President be buried in the National Cemetery at Washington, D. C., and that the funeral be held at 10 o'clock a. m., on Friday, December 9th, at the National Cemetery, Washington, D. C."

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THE KING IS DEAD!

Alfonso of Spain Passes Away, and the Queen Has Been Appointed Regent.

The Ministry Resign, and Sagasta Returned to Power—No Danger of Revolution.

At the early age of twenty-eight Alfonso Francisco de Asis Ferdinand, Pío Juan María de la Concepción Gregorio, son of Isabella II. and King of Spain, has yielded his scepter and sleeps with his ancestors. Robust neither in mind nor constitution, aggravating by his own incontinence the infirmities inherited with his regal rank, this young monarch passed a feverish and unhappy existence. During much of his

life he was confined to his bed, and his reign was a reign of misfortune. He was born on September 17, 1859, at Madrid, Spain. His father was King Alfonso XII, and his mother was Queen Victoria Eugenia. He was educated in the University of Madrid, and he was a member of the Spanish Academy of Letters. He was married to Maria Christina of Austria on May 10, 1884. They had three children: Alfonso XIII, born on June 17, 1886; Maria de las Mercedes, born on July 1, 1887; and Juan Carlos, born on August 1, 1888.

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MEN OF NOTE.

Hon. Alfred P. Edgerton, One of the Civil-Service Commissioners.

Alfred P. Edgerton, of Indiana, who has been made Chairman of the Civil-Service Commission, is a native of Plattsville, N. Y., and is now seventy-seven years of age. He was in early life a clerk in a mercantile house in New York City, but while yet a young man went to Northern Ohio as the agent of the Northern Land Company. He established a law office at Hicksville, Deane County, at which 140,000 acres of land were sold. In 1852, Mr. Edgerton

found himself the owner of 40,000 acres in Northern Ohio, which he sold to settlers on the most liberal terms as regarded payments. He reserved for himself a country-seat near Hicksville, which he still holds, and where he resides part of each year. In 1845 he was elected to the State Senate of Ohio. Here he opposed Alfred Kelley, leader of the Whigs in that body, and brought himself into wide repute thereby. In his office and active life he was a man of wide acquaintance, and he was a member of the Indiana State Bar Association. He was elected to the Indiana State Bar Association in 1884, and he was a member of the Indiana State Bar Association in 1885. He was elected to the Indiana State Bar Association in 1886, and he was a member of the Indiana State Bar Association in 1887. He was elected to the Indiana State Bar Association in 1888, and he was a member of the Indiana State Bar Association in 1889. 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POLITICAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

During the month of October 25, 918 immigrants arrived in this country, a decrease of 6,179, compared with October, 1884.

The Blade says: "The announcement is made that 26 republican congressmen will be retained in their positions during the present administration. We now wait for the howl from Bourbon spoliemen." Let them howl.

Henry Ward Beecher is reported to have said in an interview that in Mr. Hendricks' death he was sorry for the family but not for the country. H. W. B. is evidently a strange compound of admiration and animosity.—B. C. Tribune.

Some fellow has published "One Hundred Proofs that the Earth is not a Globe." This is another result of electing a democratic president. No one thought of changing the shape of the earth during a republican administration. This craving for a "change" is going too far.—Kalkaskan.

A grand howl has been raised by the appointment of Dr. John Gregg Lee as secretary of legation at Constantinople, as he is a strong republican from Philadelphia. We do not see why all this pother should be raised. Sunset Cox no doubt needs a competent assistant, and it was necessary to go into the republican ranks to find one.

Every attack thus far made upon the prohibitory amendment to the constitution of the state of Kansas has failed. The most recent attempt to have it declared unconstitutional was on the ground that it contained provisions which were in the nature of class legislation, and therefore in contravention of the federal constitution. This has met with the usual disaster, and the United States circuit court has rendered a decision sustaining the validity of the law in every particular. The Kansas prohibitionists built well when they framed this prohibitory amendment.

There has not been a bond out from the U. S. treasury in fourteen months, and it is not safe to predict when there will be. The announced monthly "reduction of the public debt" is a sham, not a bond being taken up or a dollar of interest stopped. It simply represents so much addition to the surplus money in the treasury, which is now of larger amount than for a long time past. It is estimated that Secretary Manning intends to await the action of Congress on the silver question. If silver coinage is not suspended, then he will pay off bonds in silver, which would be likely to kick up a big rumpus abroad.—Det. Tribune.

The Inter-Ocean has a very correct idea of defensive warfare, and says: The president will defend himself in his message from violations of the civil service. Secretary Vilas will defend himself from violating the law and refusing to do as congress directed in the foreign mail service. Secretary Whitney will defend himself from the charge of being more a wrecker than a builder of vessels. The attorney general will defend himself from the charge of hallooing too loud through his own telephone. Manning will defend himself from the charge of running the treasury in the interest of the New York banks, and from playing the fool in his book-keeping. But it is useless to enumerate—it will be a season of explanation.—B. C. Tribune.

The average democrat is much amazed when he stops to think about it, that no terrible exposures of republican mismanagement and corruption and robbery have been made as was promised should be when the democracy got a chance to go over the books. It makes him feel that he has been cheated in some way when he reads the annual reports of democratic heads of departments monotonously showing that all funds have been faithfully disbursed and accounted for. It fills his bosom with sorrow, too, because it is shown that republicans didn't steal, what example is there for an enterprising but pecuniary democrat to follow.—Detroit Tribune.

The free trade journals are felicitating themselves on the presence at the recent Chicago convention of a number of manufacturers. Their presence is easily explained. They are men who want to reduce the wages of their workmen to the English starvation standard, and those who see that they can make more money if they can raw materials should be abolished. We note that the discussions of the conference did not embrace the question as to how the producers of raw materials—the wool growers, the iron miners, etc.—are to be benefitted by the proposed change, which means that raw materials produced here will have to be sold at lower prices to meet foreign competition.—Blade.

Election frauds have failed to win in two prominent cities in the north. In Chicago the principal halliots box staffer has gone to work in the state prison. In Cincinnati the staffers are at home, but their crime was detected and frustrated. There was no disputing the fraud. Democrats themselves scarcely denied it, but were anxious to secure the fruits. They thought there was no remedy, so completely had the work been done. But the matter was taken into court, found a cure. The court (Judges Cox, Smith and Swine) directed the clerk to issue certificates of election to the four republican candidates for senator. Thus the democratic scheme for controlling the legislature falls to the ground.—B. C. Tribune.

Has every animal some protection from the storms and extreme cold? If not it should be seen to at once that all the stock has some kind of a shelter. Let it be ever so rude, if no better can be provided; but let there be some kind of a protection from storms for all the stock. It will be money in the pocket of the farmer who attends carefully to the comfort of his stock and who will not permit an animal to stand shivering with cold out in the open field, with only a little feed thrown to it twice a day. Stock so treated can scarcely be kept in growing and in living order, and often several head are lost from nothing else than exposure. Those animals which nearly every farmer who does not shelter his stock loses every year would more than pay for good substantial stabling for every animal.—Stockman.

Many different kinds of refuse materials, which would otherwise be wasted or lie around to make a litter, may be worked into the compost heap and will well repay the labor required. Leaves in abundance can be raked up on any farm almost to make bedding for the horses and hogs. Leaves, especially good bedding for brood sows and their pigs, and it pays to take considerable trouble to procure them for this purpose. The backwheat straw should not be burned, but be worked into manure, if it is not needed to cover rude sheds for the stock. Some times there are immense growths of weeds around in different places on the farm, which have grown up since harvest and had no ripe seeds. These can often be made into quite a handsome amount of rich manure, if cut and worked into a manure heap while full of sap. There are many other things which can be gathered together by the industrious farmer to furnish a rich dressing for his crops.—Stockman.

Gen. Hancock's visit to the historic field of Gettysburg on Monday, brings vividly to mind one of the greatest of the lost opportunities of the war, and one which no doubt would have been utilized had not a rebel bullet found its billet in Hancock's body. As he was borne from the field wounded, after the repulse of the rebel charge, under Pickett, Hancock sent a message to Meade urging that the whole Union line advance and pierce the Confederate position in the confusion of the retreating column. Lee and the rebellion could have been crushed at one blow, but Meade would not take the responsibility, and Lee crossed the Potomac, leisurely, though with only three rounds in his caissons and almost empty cartridge boxes. The great opportunity according to Hancock's belief, was lost, and it was necessary to call from the West the victor of Vicksburg to force Lee to surrender.—Tele. & Blade.

An Exchange gives our idea exactly, when it says: "If you want your town to prosper, pull together. Differ as much as you please in politics and religion, but when it comes to matters pertaining to your interest and the prosperity and growth of your town, unite and pull together. If your neighbor proposes a measure that is calculated to promote public good, don't hold back because you didn't propose it yourself; but give it your hearty support and pull together. Don't hang back when your neighbors are working for your interest as well as theirs. Don't sneer and talk about 'big heads,' take hold with a will and pull together. That town succeeds the best citizens of which take pride in it, work for its success, each in his way, but all pull together, encouraging new comers and new enterprises."

The Twenty-third Judicial Circuit.

Judge Tuttle, of the twenty-third judicial circuit, has appointed the terms of circuit court for the years 1886-87 as follows: In the county of Alcona—On the first Tuesday of February and June, and the third Tuesday of October. County of Crawford—On the second Tuesday of February and June, and fourth Tuesday of October. County of Iosco—On the last Tuesday of January, May, July, and next to the last Tuesday of September. At the July term no jury business will be done except in criminal cases. County of Ogemaw—On the third Tuesday of February and June, and last Tuesday of September. County of Oshtemo—On Friday next after the third Tuesday of February and June, and Friday next after the last Tuesday of September.

The Flint Globe states that Assistant Adjutant General Lockhead has completed his quarterly report for the quarter ending Sept. 30, with the following results: Total number posts in the department, 332; number of members, 19,011; application for posts pending, 19; expended for relief since January 1, 1885, \$3,637.41; gains in membership for first quarter of this year, 222; second quarter, 817; third quarter, 950; total gains to October 1, 2,019; gains of posts, 37; number of members October 1, 1885, 3,359 more than October 1, 1884; number of posts organized last quarter, 11; and up to date this quarter, 6. The local posts will elect officers in December, and the department commander has issued them a circular in reference thereto.

Clover the Great Restorer.

In many sections of the country clover has long been considered the king of green manures—the great restorer of fertility on over-cropped worn out lands. An Ohio farmer avers that hundreds of farms—and he might truly have said thousands and myriads—that were about worthless have been rescued from dilapidation and ruin by clovering. It is an accepted truism that as long as "clover will patch," the farm can be restored to paying fertility, and by a good rotation is even getting more productive and profitable; for after some years of such treatment the land will bear harder farming—that is, two or three crops may succeed a good crop of clover before laying down to clover again. Rough, new land should be subdued by the use of large clover. Nothing so effectually rots out stumps and kills weeds and sprouts, and prepares the land for the plow and good paying crops.

Wild, new lands should always have it sown on the first grain crop put down. It saves a vast amount of labor, for in a few years it so tones the ground and clears it of enemies to the plow that it works like old ground as is good for fall crops. One great error is often fallen into, and that is following the old tradition that a bushel of clover seed will do for eight acres. That may have been enough to clover land partially when it was new, but whoever aims at getting up his land in a speedy and profitable way should sow a bushel on four acres, so that his land may be thoroughly shaded.—American Rural Home.

The republicans of the country will be very unanimous in their agreement that it is now John A. Logan's turn to be president pro tempore of the United States senate. That is the talk among the republicans everywhere. In Washington, and the suggestion is one which ought to meet with enthusiastic reception among republicans everywhere. Gen. Logan is a thoroughly qualified presiding officer; he was the candidate of the republican party last year for the important station to whose duties as president pro tempore of the senate he would succeed, in case of disability or death of the president he would succeed to the executive chair, and in his hands the government would be safe and its policies would be conservative and wise. He is a man of splendid physical health and of such careful habits as seem to make his life wholly secure for many years. Anarchy would stand but poor chance of occurrence with Logan in the way.

For the sake and safety of the country, as well as on account of the fitness of the selection, Gen. Logan is pre-eminently the man for the presidency pro tempore of the senate of the United States, and his election, ought to be immediate, and so far as the republican vote is concerned, unanimous.—Det. Tribune.

The Holiday "Art Amateur."

The superb Christmas (December) number of THE ART AMATEUR contains a charming portrait study in ten colors by J. Carroll Beckwith, the first of a series of colored studies by leading artists, to be published during the coming year. Notable among the other contents of this attractive number are six floral designs and four bird designs for screen decoration, a fourth page of pleasing figure sketches by Edith Seannell, the first of a set of cup and saucer decorations (wood scroll), some useful designs for repoussé brass work, a page of Christmas suggestions, another monogram (in D.), numerous studies of cherubs and infants, a fine figure of a cavalier for panel decoration, four dolly designs (fruits) and a profusion of ecclesiastical embroidery designs for sermon cases, altar bags, book markers and a stole, together with ample descriptive text. New features begun in this number are a series of articles on flower paintings in oils; "Talks with Amanda" on difficult art terms (starting with chiaroscuro), and a very practical and interesting department of amateur photography. Illustrated articles of special interest are those on Burne-Jones as a decorator, hints concerning drapery, Aubrey's faience sculpture, and hall decoration. THE ART AMATEUR covers every department of its broad field in the most thorough and admirable manner. The marvel is so much of interest and value to art students and art lovers can be afforded for the low price of 35 cents a number or \$4.00 a year. Montague Marks, Publisher, 23 Union Square, New York.

A sympathetic soul.

He had stopped at a cosy looking cottage and rung the door bell, and asked the servant who answered for something to eat. She stated that she would summon the mistress. The latter soon appeared and found the tramp grazing the narrow border of grass which lined the flower beds of the front yard. "Why, what are you doing?" she asked. "I'm hungry, marm, for I ain't had nothin' to eat for three days." "But do you eat grass?" "Yes'm, when I ain't got nothin' else." "Poor fellow, you must be hungry. Can I help you?" "Yes'm you could, if you'd give me something to eat. The grass is mighty short down here." "I will help him," remarked the sympathetic little wife to the servant, as she wiped a tear from her eyes, and continuing said: "Jane, take the poor fellow in the back yard—the grass is much taller there." "Step right into the parlor and make yourself at home," said the 9-year old son of the editor to his sister's best young man. "Take the rocking-chair and help yourself to the album. Helen Louis is upstairs, and won't be down for some time yet—has to make up her form, you know, before going to press."—The Judge.

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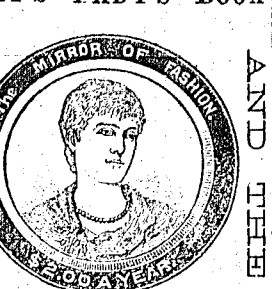
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LOCAL ITEMS.

Selling, Hanson & Co's. Price List.

(Corrected Weekly.)

Oats No. 2 white, per bushel, 40 cents.
Hay, No. 1 timothy, per ton, \$16.00.
Hay, No. 2 timothy, per ton, \$15.00.
Barley, No. 2, per ton, \$12.00.
Wheat, No. 1, per bushel, 50 cents.
Wheat, No. 2, per bushel, 45 cents.
Rye, No. 1, per bushel, 40 cents.
Rye, No. 2, per bushel, 35 cents.
Corn, No. 1, per bushel, 30 cents.
Corn, No. 2, per bushel, 25 cents.
Sorghum, No. 1, per bushel, 20 cents.
Sorghum, No. 2, per bushel, 15 cents.
Millet, No. 1, per bushel, 10 cents.
Millet, No. 2, per bushel, 5 cents.
Clover, No. 1, per ton, \$10.00.
Clover, No. 2, per ton, \$8.00.
Alfalfa, No. 1, per ton, \$12.00.
Alfalfa, No. 2, per ton, \$10.00.
Timothy, No. 1, per ton, \$15.00.
Timothy, No. 2, per ton, \$12.00.
Sainfoin, No. 1, per ton, \$10.00.
Sainfoin, No. 2, per ton, \$8.00.
Lucerne, No. 1, per ton, \$12.00.
Lucerne, No. 2, per ton, \$10.00.
Clover, No. 1, per ton, \$10.00.
Clover, No. 2, per ton, \$8.00.
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Lucerne, No. 2, per ton, \$10.00.

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A few of those clocks left at Finns,

only \$7.00.

Pay for the AVALANCHE.

Buy your furniture at Finns, and

save money.

Advertise in the AVALANCHE.

Five line of stationery at Post

Office.

Call and examine the Racine

Gravel Mill, for sale by O. Palmer.

"Week of Prayer," is being observed

by the members of the M. E.

Church, of Grayling.

Wood wanted on subscription at

this office.

Wm. Hanson, of Beaver Creek, in-

tends moving into town for the win-

ter.

A full line of Undertaker's Goods, at

Traver's Furniture Rooms.

Mrs. Ora Olds nee Williams, will

meet her painting class this week Fri-

day and Saturday.

For Job Work of all kinds call at the

AVALANCHE office.

Inquire of O. J. Bell, if you want a

desirable village lot. He will give

bargains that will astonish the nation.

We will furnish the Michigan Horti-

culturist and the AVALANCHE for \$2.00

per year.

If you wish to subscribe for God's

Ballad, "Dearest," or any other

magazine, at club rates, call at the

AVALANCHE OFFICE.

Mrs. Meagher is having her residence

sided up in good shape, and it now

presents an improved appearance.

The skating rink must be paying di-

vidends, the proprietor has just added

twenty-four pair of new skates.

Mr. S. Claggett, of Richmond, Mich-

igan, is making his son, Sidney Clag-

gett, a visit.

To all our subscribers who pay up

their subscription one year in advance,

we will furnish the AMERICAN FARM-

ER, free.

Buy your wife one of those fine en-

ameled tea or coffee pots, for a Christ-

mas present, for sale at the Post

Office.

Frank Bell has quit work for the

Michigan Central for the purpose of

attending school this winter. Andrew

Marsh takes his place.

Mrs. J. M. Jones, who has been quite

sick with an attack of cold, for the

last two weeks, is convalescing rapidly.

There were but three candidates for

examination as school teachers, at the

meeting of the Board on last Friday.

Remember the AVALANCHE office

can now furnish you with job work of

all sorts, competing with any office in

the state for quality or price of work.

P. W. Stephen, of Grove, has been

offered a good situation in a machine

shop in Bay City, where he worked

previous to his turning farmer.

Do not fail to read our offer of the

AMERICAN FARMER free to all of our

subscribers who pay their subscription

in advance.

Advertising pays. That four line lo-

cal in last week's issue caused the re-

turn of the hog. It was found in an-

other man's pen.

The dance at the Opera House on

last Thursday Evening, was pretty well

attended, an enjoyable time was had,

and the band boys added some dollars

to their equipment fund.

J. J. Cornely has his blackhouse and

oven about completed, and will soon

be ready to furnish our citizens with

the staff of life, in either large or small

quantities.

Mrs. Merrill, of Birmingham, Mich.,

who has been visiting her parents, Mr.

and Mrs. J. L. Wild, for the past three

weeks, leaves for home today.

Any one in need of an Organ, Piano,

or musical goods of any kind, would

do well to consult Dr. Traver, as to

prices and quality of instruments, in-

stead of going to outsiders whose

prices are necessarily higher, because

they are not so good.

The change in the arrival of trains,

and the diminution of their number,

may be advantageous to the railroad

company, but it does not suit the pat-

rons of the road by a large majority,

and there is considerable kicking.

Geo. L. Alexander, Atty. at Law, of

Roscommon, has an office in Grayling,

with J. O. Hadley, where he can be

found at all times, from Tuesday noon

until Friday noon of each week.

An advance in carpets of at least 20

per cent. is predicted by manufactur-

ers, therefore now is the time to buy.

Twenty different styles to select from,

at Traver's Furniture Rooms.

"No more the light gray overcoats

Worn in that grand parade

Of Cleveland's, on the 4th of March,

By 'demys' are displayed.

Because, to give them offices

Their Grover hasn't tried.

And now the dems, in deep disgust,

Dead black have had them dyed."

The Sabbath School of the M. E.

Church will give an entertainment on

Christmas Evening for the benefit of

the school.

The entertainment given by the

scholars of the Grayling School on last

Wednesday Evening, week, was well

attended, and the scholars acquitted

themselves in a very creditable man-

ner.

A. Oleson, a lumber jobber, has com-

menced lumbering near Roscommon,

and will bank some one or two million

feet of logs for other parties.

Henry Manta left on the night train

Monday, for Southern Michigan, for

the purpose of purchasing horses for

his firm to use in the woods this win-

ter.

Married.—At the Vanderbilt House,

in that village, Nov. 23d, by J. P.

David Brown, Daniel McCullum and

Miss Ellen Crisher, both of Frederic,

Crawford Co.

Vanderbilt, in her craze for some-

thing odd and ancient, has at last got

the old fashioned itch.—Osego Co. Herald.

"Have used Dr. Thomas' Eclectic

Oil for croup and colds, and declare it

a positive cure." Contributed by Wm.

Kay, 570 Plymouth Ave., Buffalo, N.

Y.

During the past six weeks there

have been shipped from this station 53

carloads of potatoes, besides several

lots of lesser quantity, making in all a

grand total of more than 45,000 bush-

els, and still there are thousands of

bushels left.—Osego Co. Herald.

George Hall and George Davidson,

of South Branch township, Crawford

county will prove up on their home-

steads on December 31.—Roscommon

News.

teach the winter term of school in the

Cox district, two miles south of the

village.—Roscommon News.

All special rates of freight on the

Michigan Central expire Dec. 31st.

Shippers desiring a renewal of any

rate will make written applications to

their local freight agent.

N. H. Evans, of South Branch

Township, advertises as follows: Any

one wanting a small job of cutting

and skidding pine logs at a big price

should inquire of A. Bennett, immedi-

ately.—Ros. News.

George Lond, of the O. S. & L. Co.,

we are informed, has men at work

down the AnSable, building camps,

preparatory to commence operations

on a 3,000,000-lumber job.—Roscom-

mon News.

"I'm very sure I hate him,

The nasty, teasing thing!

He takes as much for granted

As though he were asking.

But when his naughty glances

Just pierce me through & through,

If he should try to kiss me,

I couldn't run—could you?"

Wm. S. Belden, of South Branch,

has two very intelligent cats. He has

taught them to open the door when

they want to go out and to close it

again on coming in.—Roscommon

News.

Vacant government land available

for settlement has been nearly all taken

in this county, and more settlers

are beginning to look for lands that can

be purchased.—Northern Mail.

Since the Saginaw accommodation

passenger train has been taken off, each

passenger crew on the Mackinaw Divi-

sion will take a turn at freight work

two months out of the year. This

month Charlie Fox and Charlie Cate

are turning the brakes.

B. C. Geel is doing some big work

at his camps down the AnSable. He

has been down the river only six weeks,

and during that time has built camps,

made roads and already has 5,000,000

feet on the skids. He runs two camps

and employs 120 men.—Roscommon

News.

Matheson & Co., received during the

week, a lot of celery, which was grown

by Geo. Langdale, on his farm in

South Branch Township. This is the

first that has been raised in this vicin-

ity, and Mr. Langdale is entitled to

great credit for demonstrating the fact

that this delicacy can be successfully

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